REMARKS

Changes to the Specification

The office objected to the drawings/specification because there was no description of the following numbers: "22" in Fig. 5 and "50" in Fig. 6.

In response, applicants have amended the Specification by adding a description of the items "22" "50". No new matter has been added.

Applicants have also made the minor editorial change in the paragraph starting at page 11, line 13, as suggested by the Office.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

- Claims 1-30 are currently pending.
- Claims 1-8, 10, 13-19 and 23-30 are allowed.
- Claims 9, 11, 12 and 20-22 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Allowed Claims

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-8, 10, 13-19 and 23-30.

In this Amendment

- Claim 9 and 12 are cancelled
- Claims 8, 11, 20 and 22 are amended.

Rejection of Claims 19, 11, 12 and 20-22 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph

Claims 9, 11, 12 and 20-22 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph as being indefinite.

In response, applicants have amended the claims as follows:

Claim 8 was amended to remove the word "is", as suggested by the Office. Claims 9 and 12 were cancelled, due to their reference to a trademarked/trade name FLUORINERT™. Claim 11 was amended to more distinctly claim the subject matter.

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Claim 20 was amended to depend from claim 19, as suggested by the Office. Finally, claim 22 was amended to remove the words "of claim 1", as suggested by the Office.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have responded to each and every objection and rejection, and urge that claims 1-8, 10-11 and 13-30 as currently amended are now in condition for allowance.

Applicants request expeditious processing to issuance.

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